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El. BRANCH

Subject:— Electric Licenses

1) Measures for Controlling the grant of

2) Inclusion of certain conditions in the draft licenses.

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G.R., G.D., No. 2408, dated 22-8-22.]

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Public Works Department.

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The question of power supply by Tatas was recently discussed by their representatives with the Secy. (I) and the El.Engr. to Govt. From the note recorded by the Secy.(I) on file No.S.59/38 61788 reg: supply to Spring Mills it is observed that Tatas promised to make a further communication in the matter, which has not so far been recd. Till this communication is recd and a decision taken in the matter it is for orders whether the applns. which are being recd. from the distributing licencees such as B.E.S.T. taking liking bulk supply from Tatas may be held over or they may be dealt with in the usual way. There applns. are for power below 25 K.W. each and they do not therefore come to Govt. than Tatas under standing instructions.

Id/-
15-11-48

I consulted the El.Engr., in the matter and he is of the opinion that pending the receipt of the proposals from the Tata's, sanction to El. supply from the distributing licenses who receive their bulk supply from the Tata's should be suspended. I also contacted Mr. Nelson, the managing Director of the Tata's on phone and he told me that he was working on those definate proposals and was trying to put them up as soon as possible but he said that in the meanwhile all the applications send by the distrinuting licenses should be held over and the distributing licenses should be instructed not to put up any more applications and also not to connect any loads through sanctioned but not connected up to now. I told Mr. Nelson to put up such an interior proposal writing officially in working.

applications

For orders.

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15-11-48

Secy. (I)

Expedite Mr. Nelson of the Tata's to submit his report.

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Submitted with ref. to the Secy's. orders.

2. A draft P.O. to Mr. Nelson is put up for pp;appl. It may issue, if allid. appd.

3. The Secy(1) has not given specific orders on the question raised in the Secy's. note. It is presumed that the applns. which have been recd. from the Distributing Licensees drawing their bulk supply from Tata's are to be dealt with in the usual way toll the decision is taken. The pps. may be submitted to the Secy(1) with ref. to this presumption, after issue of the proposed D.O.

Id/-
6-11-48 I agree with the El.Engr., and think that applns. from the distributing licensees should not be sanctioned until the decision is taken, to be on the superside. The papers should be put up to Secy(I) for orders after issued of the drafts overleaf.

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Id/-
16-11-48

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D.O.No. 1932/36-41(C)

Public Works Department.

Secty.
Bombay, 16th Nov. 1948

Dear Mr. Nelson,

Ref:- Your interview on Thursday the 4th instant, with the Secy.(Mr. Gurjar) and the El.Engr. to Govt. Re: The power Supply.

You then promised to send a detailed note on the present situation and your proposal and how to meet it. I am to request you to expedite them.

Yours sincerely,

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16-11-48

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W.S. Nelson, Esq.,
Managing Director,
M/S. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Ltd.,
Bombay House, Fort, Bombay.

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EXPRESS

The Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department
Bombay.

Dear Sir,

With reference to our letter No.GE 148/43 dated 26th October and to our subsequent interview with you concerning the power supply situation, we expect to be in a position shortly to submit complete recommendations for the consideration of Government, but in the meanwhile would request that no applications for new connections or additions to the load of existing consumers be sanctioned and that all licensees concerned should be informed that the sanctions granted by Government in respect of loads not yet connected are suspended.

Yours faithfully,
Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Ltd., Agents,

Sd/- W. H. Nelson,
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Immediate reply.

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Public Works Department.

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Submitted with ref. to the O.M., dated the 17-11-48.

2. The El. Engineer, agrees, in view of the supply position of the Tatas, to take action immediately as suggested by them in their letter. It is for consideration whether orders may be issued accordingly.

3. The following general orders have been issued under which certain S.Coys. have been allowed to connect load without ref. to Govt. It is also for order whether these orders may be withdrawn:-

(1) G.L.No. 1932/36-El(II), dated 29-3-48, amplified by G.L.No.1932/36-El(II), dated 22-3-47 and No.1932/36-El(C), dated the 23-1-48, permitting the B.E.S. and T.Committee to (i) connect without Govt. permission load upto 3 KW in the case of any individual to be used for any purpose, including reconnections irrespective of the fact that loads for such reconnections had been disconnected for six months or more and (ii) permitting the Committee to connect and load of 6 KW for a water pump and lift for a bldg. excluding the above 3 KW.

(2) Under G.L.No. 1932/36-El(C), dated 2-9-47, M/s. Thana El.S.Coy. and Bombay Suburban El. S.Ltd. both have been permitted to connect load upto 3 KW in respect of consumer for any purpose, including
any individual, reconnections irrespective of the fact that loads for such reconnections had been disconnected for six months or more.

(3) Under G.L.No. 1932/36-El(II), dated the 15-5-46, general permission has been given to connect temporarily for periods up to ten KW only, for religious ceremonies, marriages, dramas, etc.

(4) G.L.No.1932/36-El(II), dated 22-3-47 permitting the Three Coys. of M/s. Tatas to give supply to any of their present consumers upto a maximum of 25 KW at a time.

On receipt of orders, the —

put up for appl.

Id/-
19-11-48.

The action proposed by the Tatas on p.9 note only not to sanction any applications for new connections or additions for the existing load but to suspend sanctions already granted in respect of loads not yet connected is very drastic and likely to cause hardship to such sanction holders. Some of them may have, on receipt of the sanctions, purchased machinery and invested large sums of money in completing arrangements to start their industrial concerns. However, if the situation of the Tata Lake in regard to their storage is so serious as appropriate, such drastic measures will have to be taken to meet it. The final proposals regarding the measures to be taken to meet the situation are awaited from the Tatas and they have been expected for them. Pending the final decision the interim measures proposed by the Tatas may be given effect to as recommended by the El.Engr. on pp.11-12 dited

Secy(I)

Id/-
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In the present circumstances, the suggestion made by Tatas on page 9 may have to be accepted and all those cases where sanctions have been given but not yet connected will have to be told to wait for one year, in the larger interests of all consumers. This may look drastic and might cause some inconvenience.

I am expediting to Tatas again to send their considered Scheme well before the end of the month.

Id/-
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24-11-48

M.M. P.W.D.

Id/-
25-11-48

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Public Works Department.

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Resubmitted.

2. From the Secy.(I)'s note, it is presumed that immediate action is to be taken on the lines suggested by the Tatas in their letter at p.9 ante, and action with ref, to 'A' of the Secy.'s note would have to be taken after the detailed schemes is recd. from the Tatas. Subject to this presumption, the draft put up will meet the case and may issue, if appd.

Id/-
27-11-48

Id/-
27-11-48

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No.1932/36-El(G). Public Works Department.
B.C., 29th Nov.,1948

To

M/s. The Tata Hydro-El. Agencies Ltd.,
Agents for (Tata Hydro-El.Power S.Co.,Ltd.,
(Andhra Valley Po wer S.Co., Ltd.,
(Tata Power Co., Ltd.

Subject:- Control over the supply of electricity.

Dear Sirs,

I am to refer to the corres, ending with your letter No.BH 164/48, dated the 17-11-48, and to request you to send in your considered scheme to meet the existing power supply situation by the end of this month, at the latest. In the meanwhile, as requested by you, all applns. for new connections or addns. to the load of the existing consumers have been held up and necy. instructions are also being issued to the Licensees concerned directing inter-alia that sanctions already granted in respect of loads not yet connected, should be treated as suspended, pending futher orders.

2. The general authority given to you under G.L. No. 1932/36-El(II), dated the 22-3-47, should also be treated as suspended, pending further orders.

D.A:- Nil.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy forwarded to :-

M/s. The Gen. Manager,B.E.S.& T.Committee,
M/s M/s. the B.S.El.S.,Ltd.,
" the Poona El.S.Co.,Ltd.,
" the Thana El.S.Coy.,Ltd.,
" the Kalyan El.S.Co.,Ltd.,
" the Panvel Tal.El.Dev.Coy.
" the Lonavala-Khandalla El.S.Co.,Ltd.,
" the Amalgamated Ely.Co.(Bel.),Ltd,,
Bhiwandi Branch.

for information and guidance

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2. Pending further orders, all general orders issued, authorising you to give domestic connections and temp, connections should be treated as cancelled and no new connections including extensions should be granted for any purpose.

3. All sanctions granted by Govt. in respect of loads not yet connected by you should be treated as suspended and a list of such consumers should be submitted immediately to Govt. in duplicate.

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Copies forwarded for information to the Sl. Engineer, to Government.

Id/-
27-11-48

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I contacted to-day on phone — Mr. Setna of The Tatas, in the absence of Mr. Nelson, Managing Director, who is out of India at present, and consulted him about the disposal of the pending applications from the distributing licensees for El.Supply to consumers. He said that the applications of more or less of a permanent nature should be held up pending the final decisions after discussion in the proposed conference of the representatives of Govt. The E.E. P.W.D. Secy(I) and the El.Engr. and the Tatas, He however, considers that applns. for El.Supply for temporary purposes like functions, marriage and other celebrations and even theatrical and circus shows should be sanctioned as the load involved is comparatively negligible of short duration and their rejection would unnecessarily create discontent amongst the general public.

Pending applns. of the temporary nature described above may now be disposed of but the parties concerned should be requested to restrict their load to the minimum possible.

Secy.(I)

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE BOMBAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY & TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Electric House.
Post Box N. s. 192
Your Ref... Bombay No. 1.
Our Ref.MEL. 13962/48 3rd December 1948.

The Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department,
BOMBAY.

Dear Sir,

SUBJECT:- CONTROL OVER THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY

With reference to letter No.1932/36-El.(C) dated the 29th November 1948, addressed by you to the Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Ltd. with copy endorsed to us, asking to stop connecting all new or additional load, we would refer to the interview you were pleased to grant our Services Engineer this morning during which you asked us to submit our suggestions.

We would request that, pending the issue of final orders in this matter, we be permitted, meanwhile, to connect load as follows:-

(1) Domestic Loads.

The general orders at present are that a maximum of 3 KW. can be connected for each individual consumer.

We suggest that this be reduced to one K.W. per consumer. Unless this is done, there will be innumerable unauthorised extensions and connections all over Bombay, the work being carried out mostly by unlicensed wiremen. It will also lead to profiteering between the consumers as pointed out, and subsequent disputes and to confusion in our records.

Further, the large staff which has been specially trained to lay service lines, install meters and inspect and connect supply will have to be kept idle.

(2) Industrial Power Consumers.

We would suggest that where load has already been sanctioned by Government but not connected, we be permitted pending final orders to connect up

lead, provided the consumer's installations are ready& the consumer then having already incurred arrange on the strength of the sanction.

We would further request that a general permission be given to us to connect Water Pumps, Floor Polishing Machines and Lifts, also Temporary Illuminations not exceeding 5 K.W. for a maximum of 10 days. For temporary installations above 5 K.W. we suggest that applications be submitted to you individually.

We shall be glad to have your early orders in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- A. L. Guilford.

GENERAL MANAGER.

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Public Works Department.

El.Dr. (C)

Acknowledged under No. 1932/36-El.(C), dated the 6th December 1948.

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